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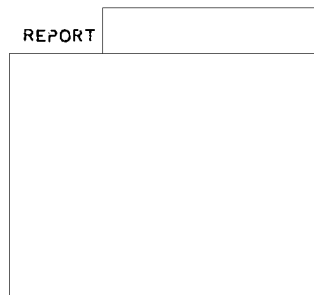
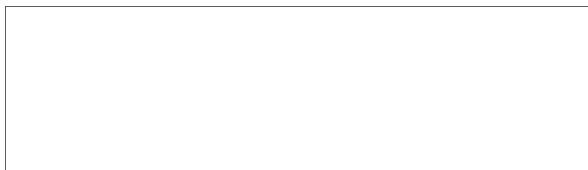
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SUBJECT Bucharest-Otopeni Airfield



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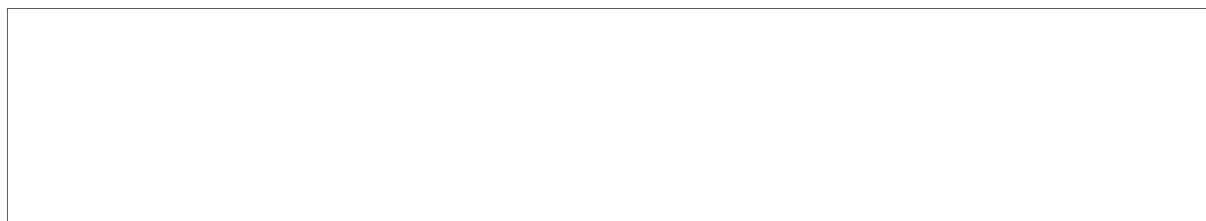
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1. Bucharest-Otopeni Airfield

Location

2. "The airfield is located nine miles north of the center of Bucharest and one mile northeast of the village of Otopeni.

Runways

3. "There are two runways (see map of airfield and adjacent territory) this map has been drawn to scale. The original dimensions of both runways were: 1) 1360 by 90 yards and 2) 1360 by 115 yards. Both runways have been enlarged to 1) 2400 by 275 yards and 2) 1780 by 275 yards. The entire area around the two runways was covered with sand and stones and then paved. (This work ended in the fall of 1952.)

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Hangars

4. "Nine new hangars have been constructed in addition to the seven old hangars. (The nine new hangars have been marked 'H1' on the map; the seven old ones are marked 'H'.)
5. "A new taxiway encircling the runways has been built, off which there are exits leading to dispersal areas and covered shelters.

Access

6. "The only access to the airfield is via the main road from Bucharest to Ploesti. The area just in front of the airfield between the two main gates is occupied by a CENTROCOP State Farm. A double barbed wire fence surrounds part of the airfield. (It probably encircles the entire airfield, but only the part included in the map.) The barbed wire fencing is 2.5 meters high, and approximately every 35 meters there are lights between the two fences lit at night to prevent people from entering.

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Soviet sentries (marked 'S' on the map) are flanked by Rumanian armed militia. All vehicles entering either the CENTROCOF State Farm or the airfield are checked by both the Rumanian militia and the Soviet armed guards. As a double safeguard, on the /side/ roads leading to the airfield are two posts of blockade /road blocks?/.

Type of Planes

7. "Soviet Air Force jet-fighter planes are based at this airfield.



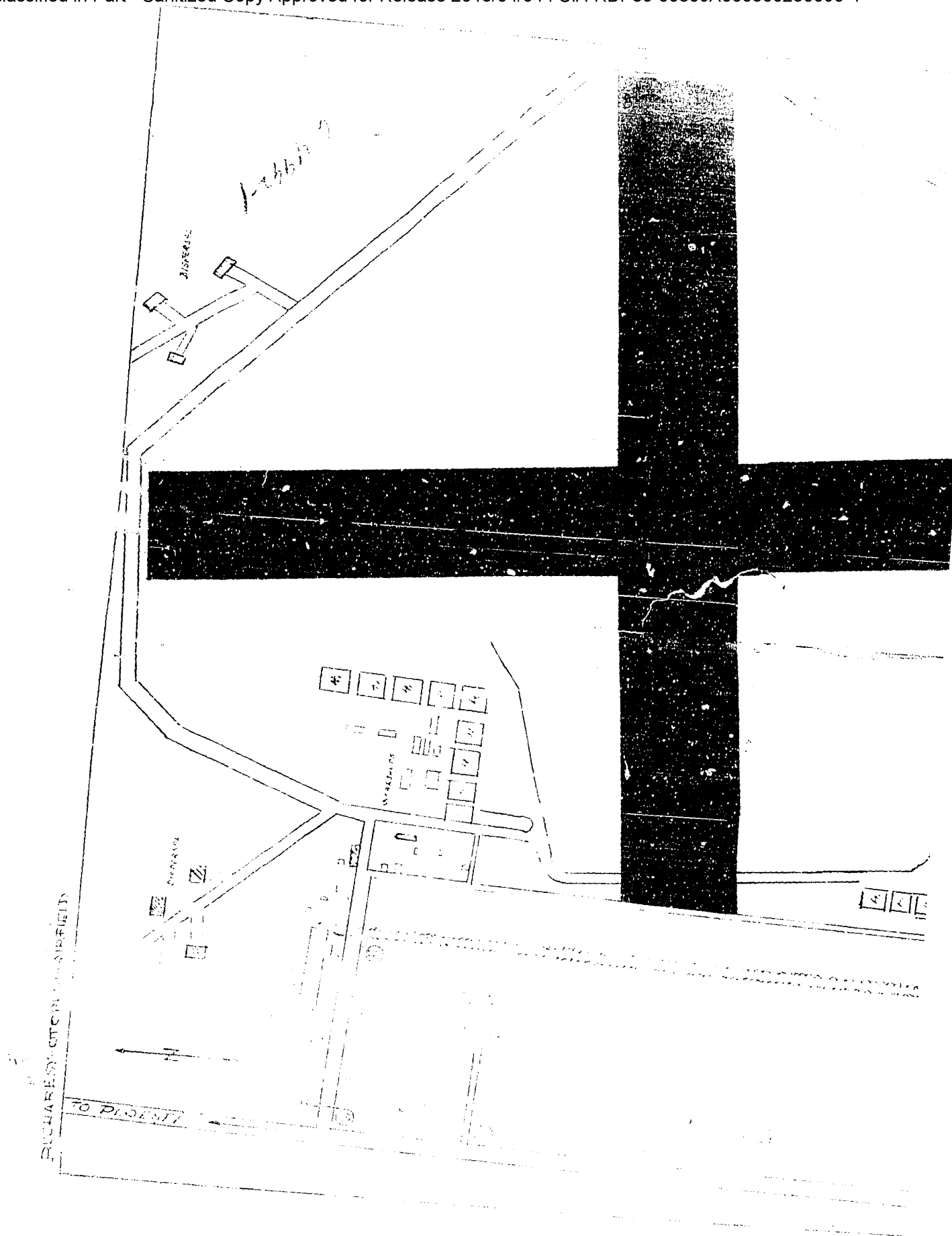
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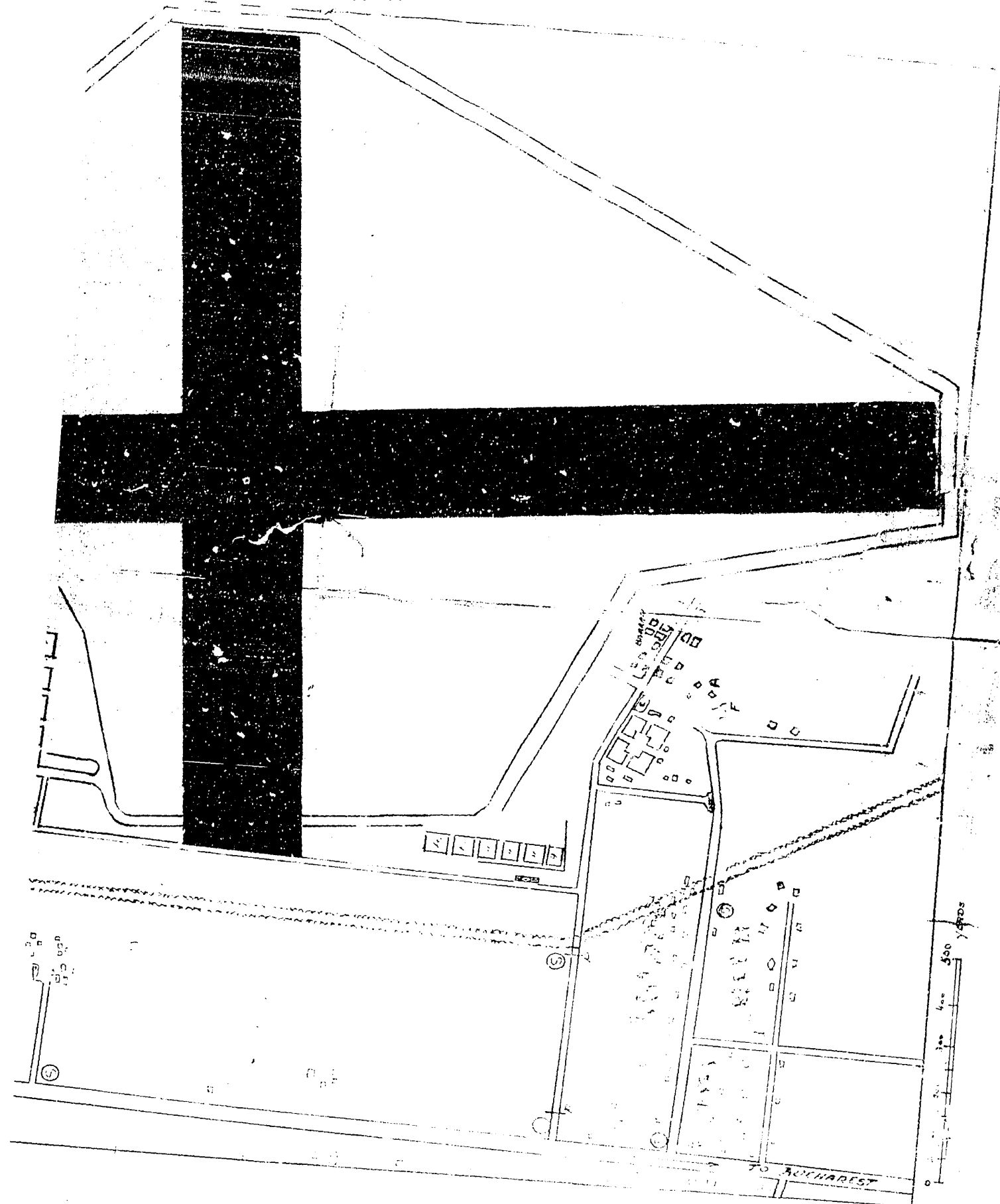
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